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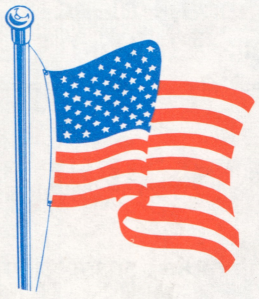

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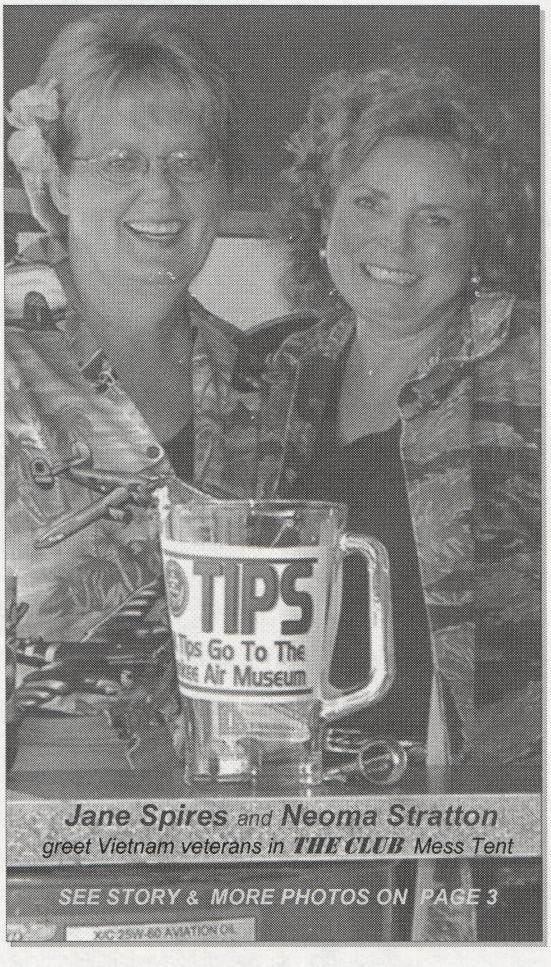

Jane Spires and Neoma Stratton
greet Vietnam veterans in THE CLUB Mess Tent

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DAVE STONOSKI

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General Membership
1st Wednesday of Month - 7:30 PM
All Members & Guests Welcome

Flyable Aircraft Meeting
2nd Wednesday of Month - 7:30 PM
Everyone Welcome

Board Meeting
3rd Wednesday of Month - 7:30 PM
All Members Welcome

Staff Meeting
4th Saturday of Month - 10:30 AM
All Department Chairs & Managers

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10 AM - 4 PM TUESDAY - SATURDAY
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Visitors to our Museum
during **July 2004** were from
32 of our United States, plus
Germany, England, Canada, Poland,
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PAST DATES OF INTEREST

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2 Sept 1916	First **plane-to-plane radio** transmission
2 Sept 1945	462 B-29s fly over battleship *Missouri* during **Japan's ceremonial surrender**
4 Sept 1922	Army Lt. James H. Doolittle makes first **coast-to-coast** crossing of the US in a single day from Florida to California in a de Havilland D.H.4B
7 Sept 1956	Man's first venture outside Earth's atmosphere: USAF Capt. Iven Kincheloe flies to 126,000 feet in the **Bell X-2**
8 Sept 1994	Last **Allied soldiers leave Berlin**, ending occupation that began in 1945
11 Sept 2001	4 hijacked airliners simultaneously used as weapons of mass destruction, now an annual day of remembrance: **Patriot Day** *US Flag to fly at half-mast*
17 Sept 1908	**First fatal injury** in an airplane crash: Lt. Thomas W. Selfridge
17 Sept	**POW / MIA Remembrance Day** *On this day, the third Friday in September, the POW / MIA Flag must be flown at all Federal buildings*
18 Sept 1947	The US Army Air Forces become the **United States Air Force**
19 Sept 1783	First time living creatures leave the ground in aircraft, a **Montgolfier** hot-air balloon: a sheep, a duck and a rooster
23 Sept 1911	First flight to carry **US Air Mail**
24 Sept	**Gold Star Mothers Day**
30 Sept 1949	**Berlin Airlift** ends

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50/50 WINNER at our **AUGUST** meeting was
CAROL GUENTHER
who donated her winnings to our Lodestar!

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Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day 17 July 2004 Story & photos by **Dave Steiner**

Yankee Air Museum's Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day Saturday 17 July 2004 was not as well-attended as hoped, but those who were there got a good look at four outstanding "Bird Dog" observation forward air control (FAC) aircraft, two of which were flown all the way from Texas. That was about a six-hour trip but the flyers took it easy and did it in two days. These guys appeared for the cost of their hotel rooms and aircraft fuel to and from Texas. That's how much they wanted to see our museum and tell their stories.

Those attending our supper symposium agreed they could not have had a meal like that anywhere in a restaurant*!* The four speakers were all OV-10 Bronco drivers. Col. Richard Atchison USAF (Ret.), LCDR Dan Conrad USN (Ret.), Lt. Col. Darrell Whitcomb USAFR (Ret.) and Forward Air Controller Lt. Col. Lew Sutherland USAF told interesting stories about their sorties in Southeast Asia, including Lt. Col. Whitcomb's description of the clandestine operations in Laos with the CIA-directed *Ravens*. YAF Bronco restorer and crew chief **Dick Rice** was in seventh heaven with the time he was able to spend with these guys and the feedback they gave him about our beautifully restored and one-of-a-kind Bronco.

Col. Atchison was instrumental in developing the first laser-guided munitions, Project Pave-Nail, first employed in Vietnam in 1971. It was used to take out a bridge with a 2000-pound bomb. No bombs hit the ground until the FACs said so, and the close air support they afforded American troops allowed them to never lose a battle, even though South Vietnam eventually fell once our air support was pulled out.

Next year we expect to integrate this event with a visiting display of the moving Vietnam Memorial Wall. This will indeed be a special honor for our Museum, a rare event not to be missed.

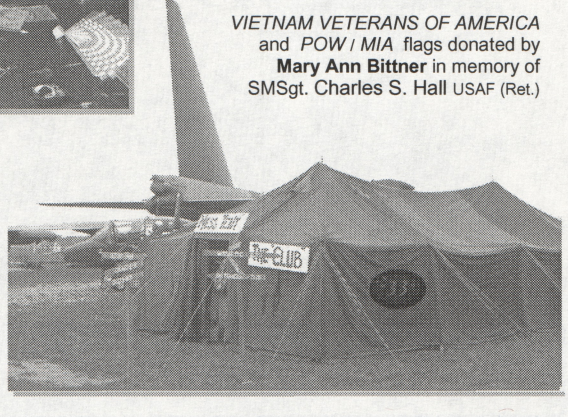
LEFT Chow line was the real thing*!* The rain held off or we would have had real mud, too.

RIGHT Bird Dogs with our C-47 in the background

LEFT **Dick Stewart** encourages **Lew Major** to try some genuine Louisiana hot sauce to enhance his SOS.

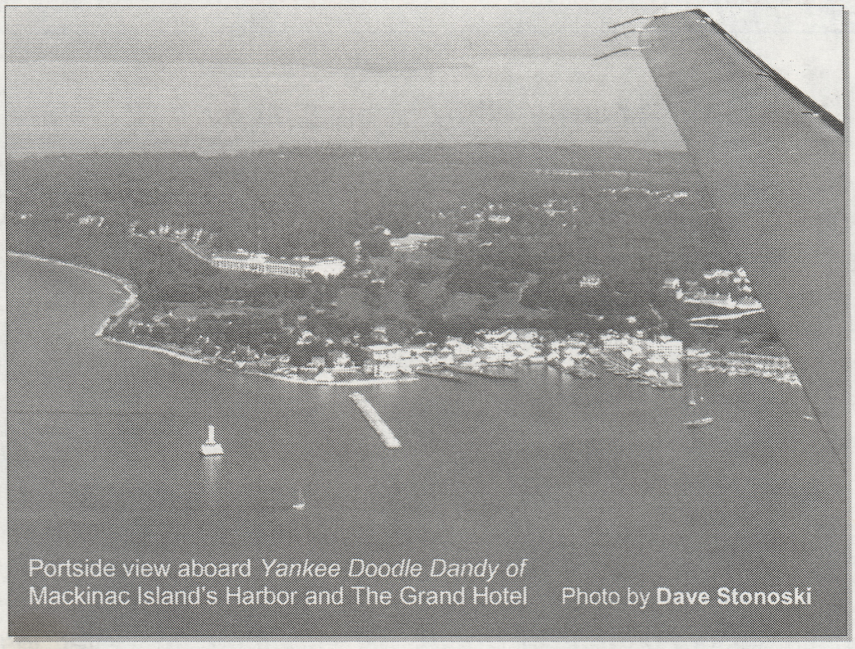
ABOVE LCDR Conrad talks about flying the Bronco, displayed near hangar doors.

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA and *POW / MIA* flags donated by **Mary Ann Bittner** in memory of SMSgt. Charles S. Hall USAF (Ret.)



RIGHT Tail of the B-52 *BUFF* towers over the mess tent with Bronco nearby

SEE THE WALL IN 2005 AT YANKEE AIR MUSEUM



Portside view aboard *Yankee Doodle Dandy of* Mackinac Island's Harbor and The Grand Hotel Photo by **Dave Stonoski**

There's no cargo hold on our C-47 but the cabin is spacious. Passengers are allowed essential carry-ons, in this case: golf clubs!

Our Gooney's large cabin is first-class!

A wide aisle and smooth ride permit our passengers to pursue leisurely in-flight activities.

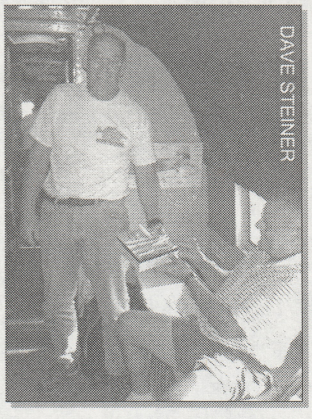
Thankfully, this hole is not really in the floor of our Skytrain! Dave brought his own putting green to practice for the big moment on Mackinac Island.

DAVE STONOSKI

HAD A DANDY DAY ON MACKINAC ISLAND !

The July 27th C-47 excursion to Mackinac Island started out with miserable rainy weather at YIP, but as we've come to expect, the weather gods smiled on our Gooney, and we broke into the clear around Saginaw. The weather at the Straits was absolutely magnificent. Our pilots **Tony Buttacavoli** and **Jerry Nichols** and crew chief **Tom Collard** took great care of us, and a wonderful day was had by all. We had a *dandy* view of the Mackinac Bridge on the way out (see photo lower right). After a fuel stop in Pellston (complete with stretch golf cart chauffer service to the terminal) we picked up a tailwind a little farther south and were moving along at 184 mph as clocked on the GPS **Jim Gilkey** brought along. New pilot **Scott Moore** (YAF pilot **Bill Clark** gave him his check ride) sat in the jump seat for quite a while on the return flight and got some flying tips from Tony and Jerry.

- Dave Steiner



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On the return flight **Robert Anderson** shared his Mackinac Island fudge with **Russ Banush** and other Yankees aboard:
Nicki Banush
Phil Fugate
Linda Moore
Rand Bitter
Dave Stonoski
Mike & Margaret Miller

Our C-47 was the largest aircraft by far on the ramp at Mackinac Island Airport.

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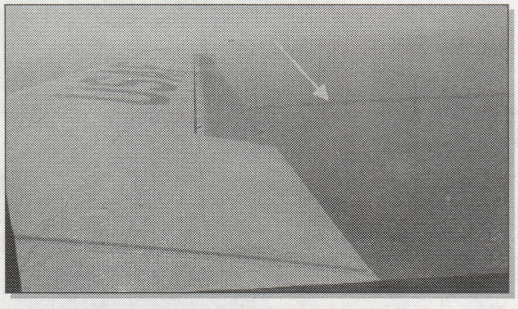

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Gooney-eye view of the Mackinac Bridge as we head south on our way home.

BOARD REPORT

BYLAWS

The Board approved all the proposed bylaw changes. They will be presented to the membership for a vote in the fall ballot mailing.

T-6 WING GOES TO JACK ROUSH

A T-6 wing that has occupied a spot in the hangar for many years, but which the museum has no use for, will be given to **Jack Roush** after a vote by the board. The wing is damaged but Mr. Roush will be able to part it out for use on his flyable T-6. Mr. Roush has done many, many favors for the museum and the board was happy to return a favor.

MID-MICHIGAN DIVISION

Dennis Garner (YAF Member #1911 MM) was approved as the Mid-Michigan Re-establishment Manager (MMRM).

FINANCIAL NEWS

Bill Colwell was elected as chairman of the Finance Committee. We continue to be deeply indebted to Bill for his leadership and service to improve financial information about the museum.

Treasurer **Les Klima** handed out and presented on the overhead projector a profit and loss statement for the second quarter and first half of the year with comparisons to last year. The news was very good. Net income for the second quarter was $63,048.34 (up $9,437.48 from the period a year ago). For the first half of the year total income increased $99,132.58. Although net income was a negative $428.65 that's a big improvement from a year ago when, at this point, we had lost $106,689.64. If you wish to see a copy of the report, it is posted in the members meeting room, or contact any board member.

Final figures are not in for the *Grosse Ile Air Extravaganza* show, but by next month there will be a full accounting and the preliminary figures are promising.

- ***Dave Steiner***

WINGS OF THE NORTH AIR EXPO 2004

Our B-17 Flying Fortress *Yankee Lady* was at the *Wings of the North Air Expo* in Eden Prairie, Minnesota for their annual air show over the July 24th-25th weekend.

FILE PHOTO VIA **DON BURKE**

Just a short note on this show. The best air show weather I've seen this year! Great hotel accommodations and close by. We were also given a space for our retail and flight experience booth right at the entrance to the hangar which housed all the World War II, Korean and Vietnam Aces. A great spot to sell our rides. A great ground crew and a real nice party Friday night.

Also had a chance to have dinner one night with my hometown buddy, YAF member **Barney Edwards** and his family. I also visited with some cousins I had not seen in years.

We had a nice chat with YAF member **Harry Barr** of Duncan Aviation in Lincoln, Nebraska. If the name sounds familiar, he is the man who donated the Argosy to us in 1990. You can learn some more facts about our Argosy on page 7 of this issue of *Hangar Happenin's.* Harry was at the *Wings of the North Air Expo* this year with his beautiful P-51 Mustang.

Once again, thanks to the *Wings of the North* staff for a great show and having us be part of it*!*

Norm Ellickson
B-17 Crew Chief

CONDOR'S CAVE

by **Dick Bodycombe**

Dear Members:

I think my favorite New York Yankee baseball player, catcher Yogi Berra, had it about right when he was supposed to have said "It's déjà vu all over again."

And so it was on Friday, 9 July, when the *Lady* headed once again to that quaint grass runway nestled in the rolling hills of western New York state.

Flashing back, in 1987 we received a call from the wealthy, genial, fourth-generation patrician Mr. Austin Wadsworth, inviting us to the first-ever airshow to be put on by a new enterprise called the *National Warplane Museum*. So a few of us thrill-seekers loaded into our C-47 and began a worthwhile relationship with new warbird friends.

Austin didn't tell us that he owned the airfield and a lot of other land nearby. He also didn't tell us that we'd be living in Geneseo's college dormitories, a portion of the State of New York university system that was perched atop a hill guarding the approach to the original 4,000-foot grass runway. So we were college students again, complete with a unisex bathroom and a cardboard sign that could be flipped from *BOYS to GIRLS.*

Neither did Austin warn us that when the airfield got wet, it became very sticky, particularly at the lower east end. We found this out the hard way*!*

Anyway, the Geneseo airshow prospered and the *NWM* grew and grew. We went back there in 1988 and 1989, and then the cascading show moved a few miles north to a hard-surfaced runway at Batavia, New York. However, success brought problems to *National Warplane Museum* that eventually ballooned into a nasty major split between two prime factors. One group favored further expansion and sought "world-class" facilities. Mortgaged money provided such buildings at the Elmira/Corning Regional Airport. A big payroll followed, and in a few years they were bankrupt and the beautiful new facilities were shut down.

Meanwhile, Austin Wadsworth gathered up the pieces of what he had started at Geneseo, and began all over again with his remarkable *1941 HAG (Historic Aircraft Group).*

Since then, YAF has "tippy-toed" between the two groups and tried to please both.

In 1996, Austin pleaded with **Norm Ellickson** to bring the *Yankee Lady* to Geneseo for a first-time look. So we went, and a new 5,700-foot grass ribbon (oriented slightly more southwest away from the campus) didn't look to me nearly as formidable as the original set-up. But it was wet, and newly mown grass was flying everywhere and tried to clog up the *Lady*, particularly #3 engine's turbo and intercooler ducts. Norm was quoted as saying he didn't know if we should do this again*?!*

But we did, in 2004, and after getting stuck a bit on one of the taxi-ways, everyone had a good airshow. Veteran Captain **Duane Nelson** kept exceedingly cool during the whole operation.

The *Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day* at our hangar on Saturday, 17 July, was a good effort beamed at a very deserving group of veterans. I thought that "Chief" **Dick Rice**'s Y-OV-10A was the hit of our static display. This unique aircraft, the only Bronco currently shown in a private collection, was admired by Vietnam vets who were aware of the contribution OV-10 units made in the conduct of the war.

Several OV-10 pilots came from great distances to salivate over the bird and to congratulate our "Chief" and his talented and dedicated restoration crew on their wonderful handiwork

LCDR DAN CONRAD USN (RET.)
BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN POSING IN YAF'S Y-OV-10A *BRONCO*

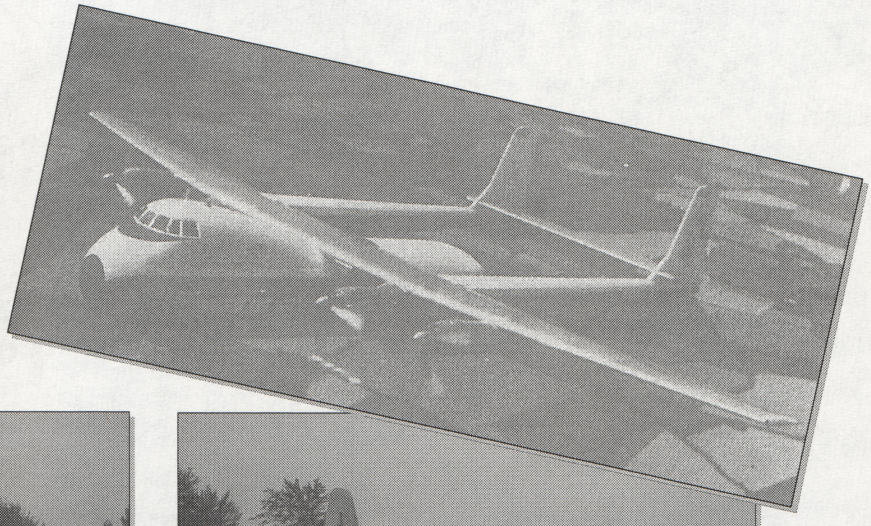
Our Bronco #52881 is the third of 7 prototypes built and sole survivor*!* It was first flown 31 Dec 65 on USMC reconnaissance missions, then with NASA from 1968-1976, returned to the USMC, then to the *Detroit Institute of Aeronautics* as military surplus. Since YAF's acquisition in 1993, Crew Chief **Dick Rice** has performed a meticulous restoration to original USAF-USN-USMC *TRI-SERVICE* colors.

Next month, I'll talk about this summer's open house and airshow at Westover in Massachusetts, one of my old Air Force Reserve bases.

CONDOR

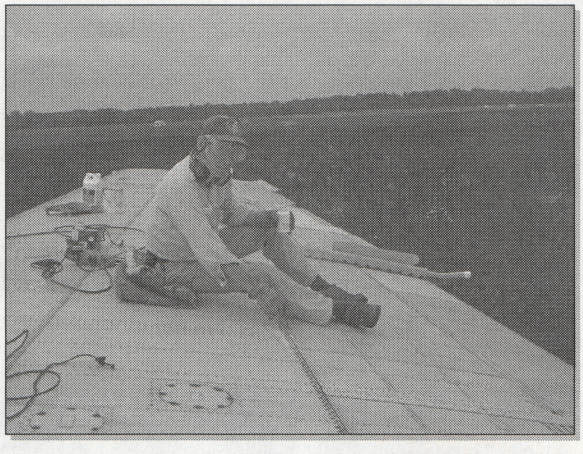
GIVING YOU SOME STATIC !

ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH A.W. 650 ARGOSY

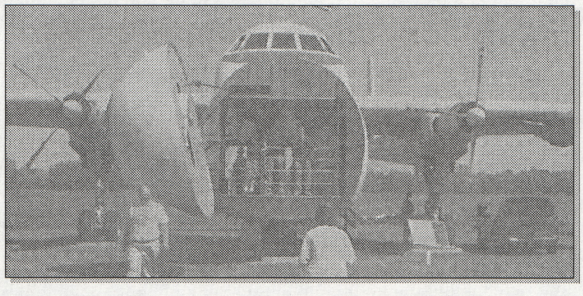


Lee Bassett (ABOVE) lays the paint on our AW 650 Argosy in the Museum's airpark. This British-made 'drive-thru' cargo aircraft was flown from 1964-1972 by YAF member **Jim Ledbetter** for Willow Run's *Zantop Air Transport.* Jim also flew our Argosy, donated by **Harry Barr**, on its last flight to Yankee Air Museum in December 1990.

Bob Sloan (BELOW) removes rust from screw heads in preparation for painting.



With nose open (ABOVE & BELOW) the Argosy has wide door apertures—front and rear—designed for world-wide large-capacity civil and military passenger and freight transport.



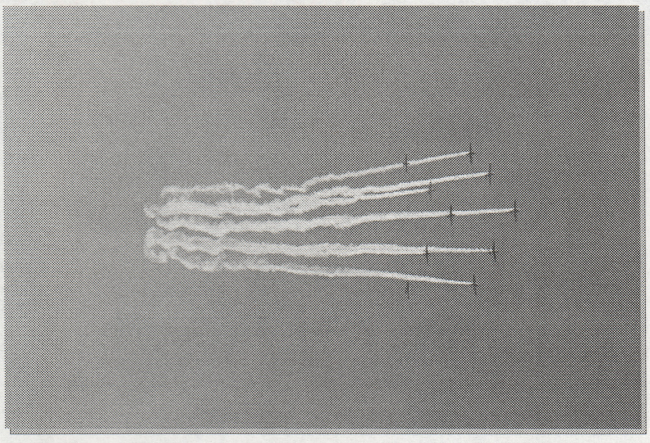
Downward-hinged rear loading doors could be opened in flight for air-drop operations.

MORE FACTS !

Wingspan: 115 feet
Length: 89 feet
Maximum Take-Off Weight: 105,000 pounds
Average Cruising Speed: 269 mph
Maximum Range: 3,250 miles

Argosy in flight
from *Jane's Encyclopedia of Aviation*
Photo by Charles E. Brown

Airpark photos by **Dave Steiner**



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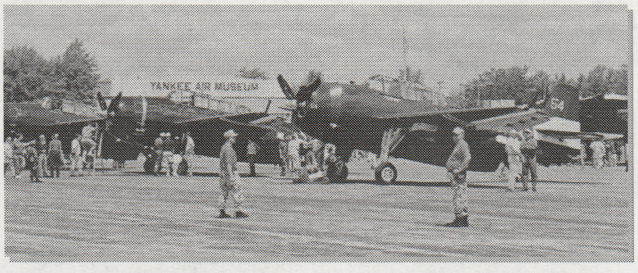
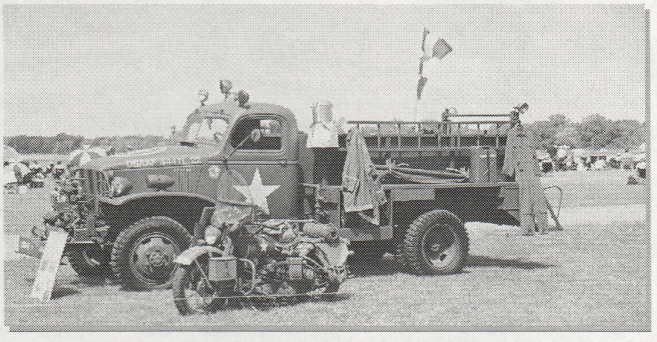




*A special thanks to admission volunteers who made sure no car waited more than 5 minutes to get in. You guys were the **A-Team** out front! Well done!* *- Dave Steiner*

Darlene Imus greets **Debbie Stewart**
LIBRARY STAFF — ASSISTANT AIRSHOW COORDINATOR

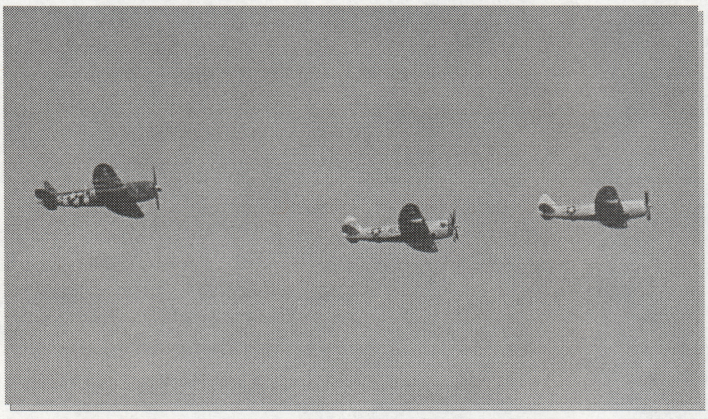
It was a picture perfect weekend!

If you have some special photos
you would like to see published from

THUNDER OVER MICHIGAN 2004

please submit them to *Hangar Happenin's*
with captions, dates & photographer's name.
Include a pre-stamped addressed return envelope.

Watch for your favorites in future issues!



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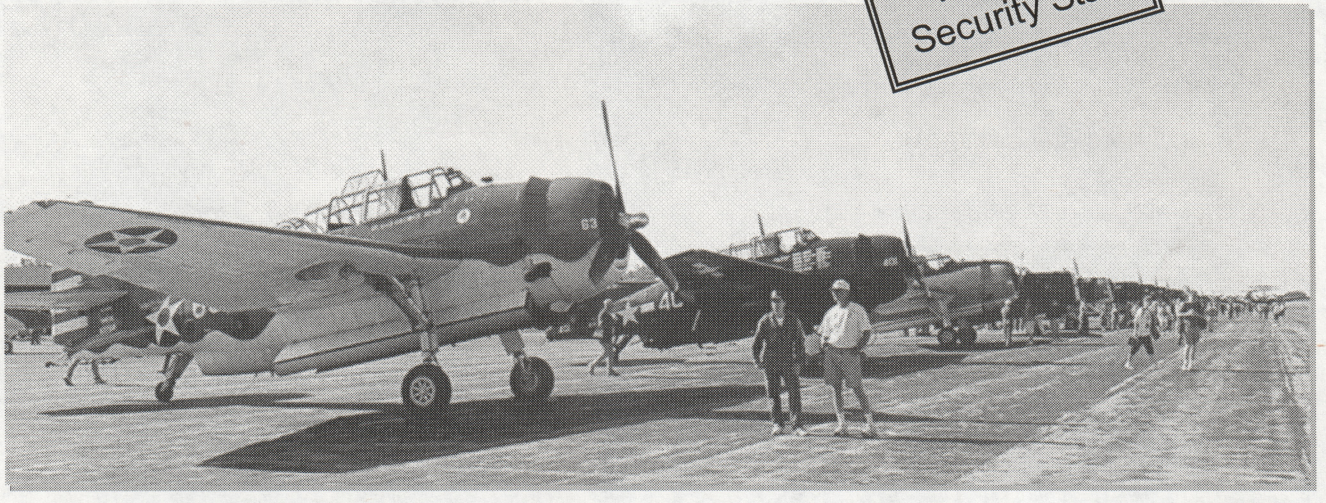
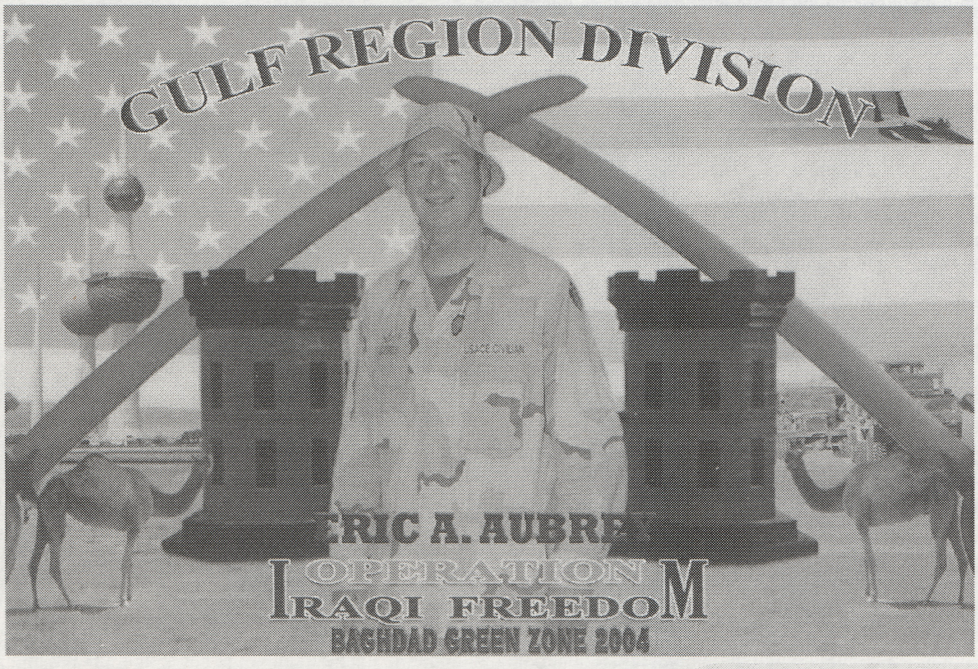


DARLENE IMUS

Honored guests (SEATED) Burt Earnest, Archie Donahue, Harry Badgerow, (STANDING) Hamilton McWhorter and Joseph McGraw with TBM-3E Avenger flown by Badgerow as a Lieutenant in World War II.



Eric's greeting card is a clever montage of images from Baghdad, showing the crossed swords of a famous Iraqi war memorial. Superimposed behind Eric is the castle logo of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Eric has been in Central Iraq since May and is due to return home in mid-September.

...and he's still smiling!

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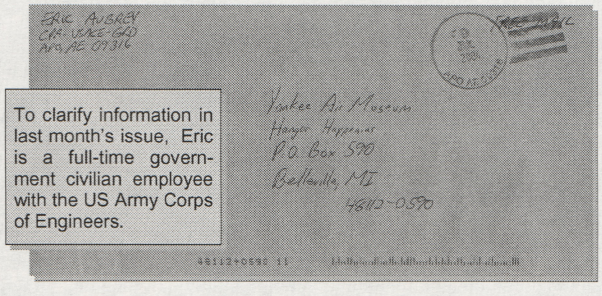
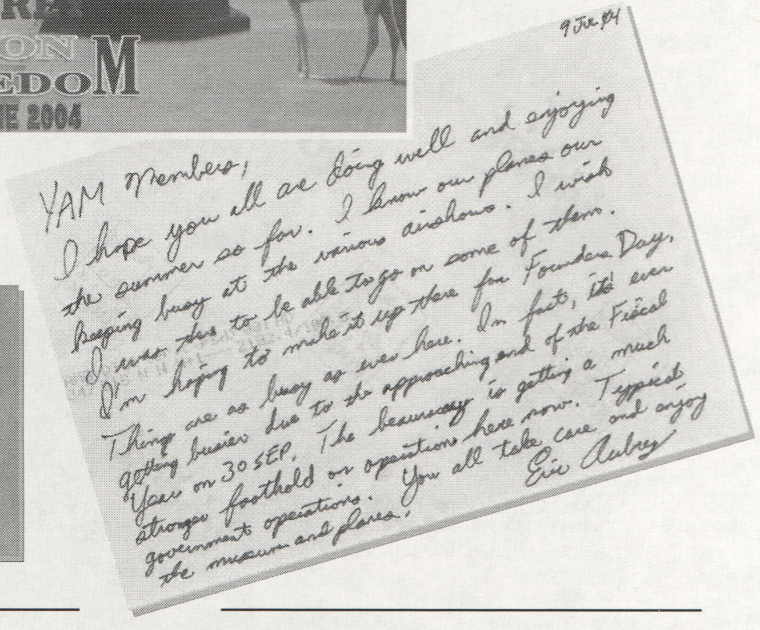
FROM YAF MEMBER ERIC AUBREY



To clarify information in last month's issue, Eric is a full-time government civilian employee with the US Army Corps of Engineers.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YAM Members,
I hope you all are doing well and enjoying the summer so far. I know our planes our keeping busy at the various airshows. I wish I were there to be able to go on some of them. I'm hoping to make it up there for Founders Day. Things are as busy as ever here. In fact, it's even getting busier due to the approaching end of the Fiscal Year on 30 SEP. The beginning is getting a much stronger foothold on operations here now. Typical government operations. You all take care and enjoy the museum and planes.
Eric Aubrey

Autumn is a beautiful time for a flight in our **Stinson Reliant** *!*

The purpose of our Stinson flight program is to generate new members for the Yankee Air Force. We fly the Stinson to various dawn patrol pancake breakfasts in Southeastern Michigan.

We have cabin space for two qualified Yankee Air Force pilots and two YAF members on each flight.

DAVE STONOSKI

Duties for pilots and members at these events include setting up a table and providing YAF information. Each member who joins at these events is eligible for a short flight in our Stinson.

Date	Location	Departure Time	Return Time
11 September	Troy, MI	7:30AM	2:00PM
26 September	Port Huron	8:00AM	4:00PM
1 October	Michigan Air Tour	TBA	TBA
2 October	Michigan Air Tour	TBA	TBA
3 October	Michigan Air Tour	TBA	TBA
9 October	Romeo, MI	7:00AM	Noon

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2004 YANKEE AIR FORCE AIRSHOW SCHEDULE

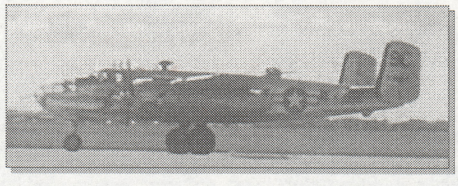
! Definite ? Tentative **FLEX** Flight Experiences

		C-47?	Sep 01	YAF member trip to New K-zoo Air Zoo	Kalamazoo, MI
	B-25!		Sep 03-04	Fly-In / Cruise-In -FLEX	Marion, IN
B-17!		C-47!	Sep 05	Lions Club Static Display -FLEX	Romeo, MI
		C-47!	Sep 10-12	Airport Open House/Static Dsp (VNW)	Van Wert, OH
B-17!	B-25!		Sep 11-12	Aviation Day with Flair-Kent State	Stow, OH
	Stnsn!		Sep 11	Troy Fly-In	Troy, MI
		C-47!	Sep 14	YAF member trip to USAF Museum	Springfield,OH
B-17!	B-25!	C-47!	Sep 19	YAF Founder's Day Open House	Willow Run, MI
		C-47?	Sep 21	YAF member trip to USAF Museum	Springfield,OH
B-17!		C-47!	Sep 24-27	Aviation Hall of Fame display -FLEX	Teterboro, NJ
	Stnsn!		Sep 26	Port Huron Fly-In	Port Huron, MI
B-17!			Sep 29	Michigan Aeronautical Commission	Lansing, MI
B-17!			Oct 01-03	U.S. Aviation Museum Airshow -FLEX	Euclid,OH(CGF)
	Stnsn!		Oct 01-03	Michigan Air Tour	TBA
		C-47?	Oct 03-08	YAF member trip to NC, GA, FL	
				Battleship USS North Carolina	Wilmington, NC
				Mighty Eighth Air Force Her. Museum	Savannah, GA
				U.S. Naval Aviation Museum	Pensacola, FL
B-17!	Stnsn!		Oct 09	Boy Scout Open House/Static Display	Romeo, MI
	B-25!		Oct 16-17	Fall Color Tour Flight Experiences	Willow Run, MI

FALL

FLIGHTS ARE FANTASTIC !

B-25 Fall Color Tours



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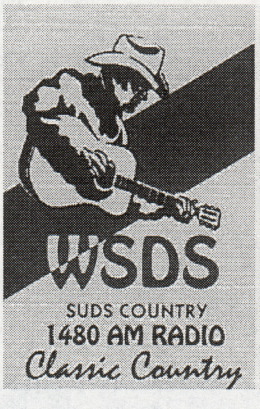
Saturday 16 October
Sunday 17 October

$ 300 per person

from Willow Run to the Mackinac Bridge and back.
Your interest will determine the times and how many flights we schedule.
Sign up soon! Yankee members only. Call *Mary Aileen* **(734) 945-5369**.



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DATE			DESTINATION	ROUND TRIP COST
Tuesday	Sept	14	**Dayton, Ohio** USAF Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB	$ 100
Tuesday	Sept	21	**Dayton, Ohio** USAF Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB	$ 100
Sunday	Oct	3	**Grand Tour: Wilmington, North Carolina** *USS North Carolina*	
returning			**Savannah, Georgia** *8th AF Museum*	
Friday	Oct	8	**Pensacola, Florida** *Naval Air Museum*	
Includes airplane expenses, motel with dual occupancy, ground transportation, and museum admittance:				$ 900

NOTE: Grand Tour passengers must sign up before Sunday, September 5, 2004.

NAME _____ YAF MEMBER # _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

DATE _____ DESTINATION _____ HOW MANY SEATS? _____ X COST PER SEAT _____ = TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ VISA and MasterCard accepted

Yankee Air Museum reserves the right to cancel any of these excursions at any time and refund the participant the full amount paid. Refunds will not be granted except for trips cancelled by Yankee Air Museum.

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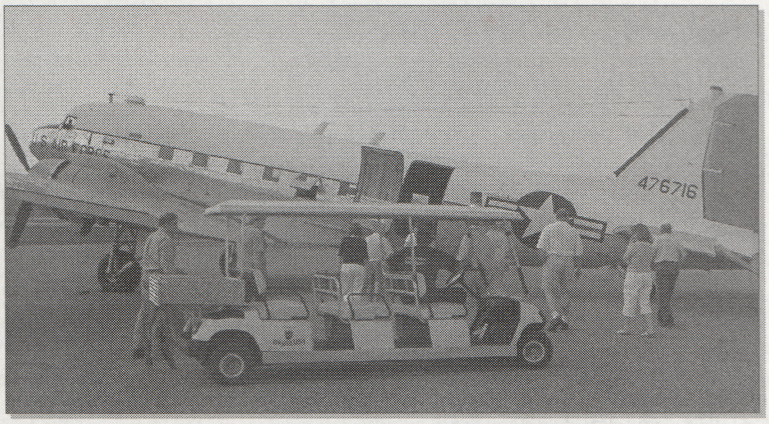
Yankee Air Force Inc.
PO Box 590
Belleville MI 48112-0590

Call (734) 483-4030 Ext. 202 to pay by credit card.

Check out the website for *Glacier Girl* **www.thelostsquadron.com** and their online newsletter the *Glacier Girl Gazette* to see an article about our YAF Gooney visit, including color images!



MORE MACKINAC ISLAND MEMORIES

C-47 Day Excursion for Yankee Air Museum Members
Tuesday 27 July 2004

- Dave Steiner

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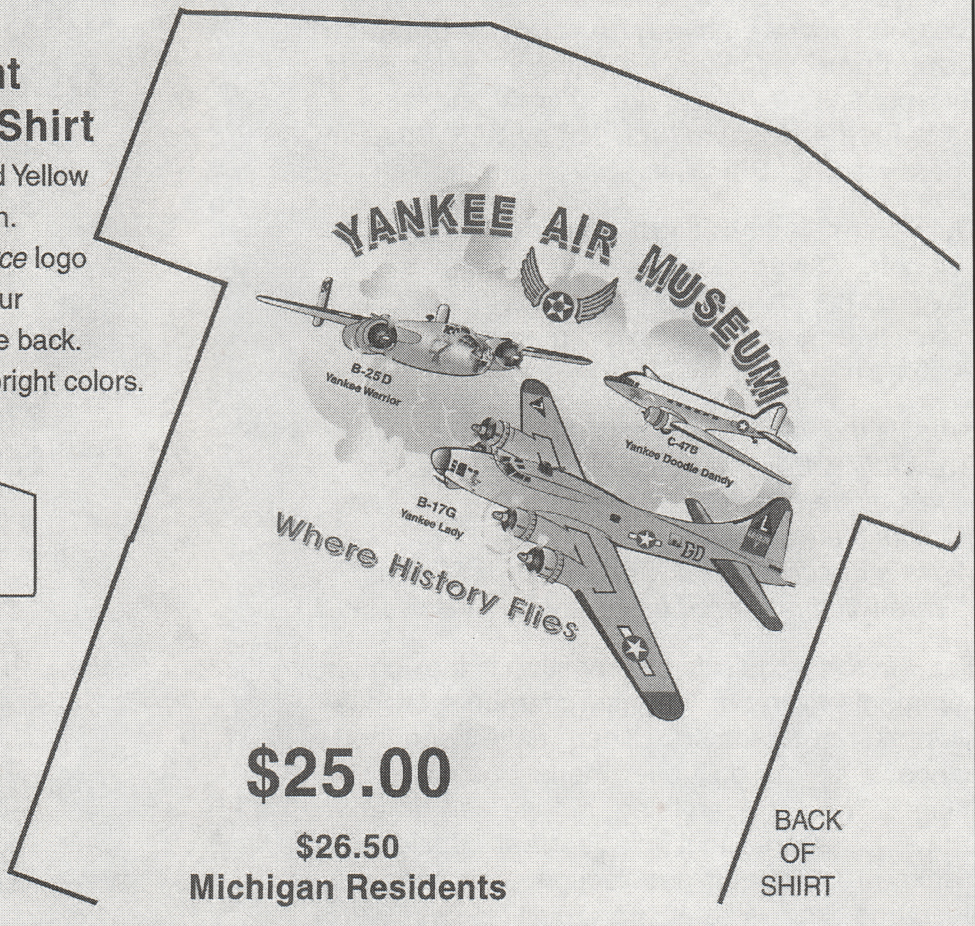

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YANKEE AIR FORCE BYLAWS ARTICLE II - PURPOSES
The YAF is organized exclusively to obtain, restore, preserve and operate historic and vintage aircraft, related components for historical research and public educational purposes, and to establish a museum to facilitate the public display and exhibition of such items. *AS PUBLISHED AUGUST 2000*

Yankee Air Museum's
AIRCRAFT ACQUISITION COMMITTEE
wants to hear from you!

Did you know we have an **Aircraft Acquisition Committee**? Yankee Air Museum established this committee to acquire aircraft and aircraft parts for the Museum. It is led by YAF Museum board member **Bill Wier**.

Our Aircraft Acquisition Committee has a difficult job. Over recent years, several aircraft have come up as possible acquisitions. The committee has to consider many aspects of each item:

What is the value of this item to our Museum?
Does it fit with our mission statement? (ABOVE)
Is this aircraft flyable?
What is the cost of keeping it flyable?
What is the cost of delivering it to our Museum?
Where will this aircraft be kept when it arrives?

The Aircraft Acquisition Committee is looking for comments from our Museum members on possible aircraft to acquire. There have been thousands of aircraft built over the last century. We cannot collect everything, but we can go after a few aircraft that will be great additions to Yankee Air Museum's collection. For example, everyone knows that Ford-built B-24s were manufactured at Willow Run. The C-119 Flying Boxcar was also built at Willow Run by Kaiser-Frazer. Michigan has had many aircraft manufacturers. Should we try to acquire more Michigan-built aircraft? Right now, the only Michigan-built aircraft we own are two Stinsons. Other possible acquisitions are military, commercial or from general aviation.

Member input will be greatly appreciated! Send your comments to **Bill Wier** by e-mail at **yamwier@aol.com** or with a note in his mail slot at the top of the stairway near the upstairs office area.

Celebrate
Yankee Air Museum's
23rd Anniversary!

USO CANTEEN
DINNER-DANCE

Saturday night
September 18th

5:30 PM Doors open
7:00 PM Dinner

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$50 per couple

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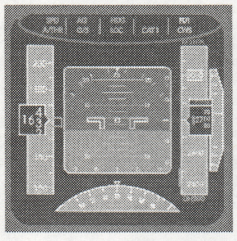

ON THE HORIZON

WHAT'S HAPPENIN' AT YANKEE AIR MUSEUM

East side of Willow Run Airport
at Beck & Ecorse Roads

www.yankeeairmuseum.org

Museum and Store OPEN Wednesdays to 7 PM

Sincere apologies to our **Wurtsmith Division**. We failed to add their August events to this template since first listed in the June issue of *Hangar Happenin's.* We hope both their hangar dance and pancake breakfast during the weekend of August 14-15 were successful, as well as their Doolittle Raiders Commemorative event on Friday-Saturday, August 20-21, which featured YAF's B-25 *Yankee Warrior.* Our thanks to **Jim McLaughlin** for phoning *HH* about this error.

SEPTEMBER 2004

Thursday September 9th: **YAF GOLF WAR**, Pine View Golf Course, Ypsilanti, Michigan
10 AM start. Call (734) 645-1150

Sunday September 12th: **Sally Ride Science Festival**
University of Michigan's North Campus

Saturday September 18th: **Annual Meeting** of the **Yankee Air Force, Inc.**
1 PM in our Meeting Room

Dinner Dance $50 a couple
5:30 PM - Midnight LIVE BAND!

TO BE ANNOUNCED ! **Volunteer Appreciation Barbeque**

DINNER DANCE TICKETS IN OUR MUSEUM STORE!

OCTOBER 2004

Friday-Saturday-Sunday
October 1st-2nd-3rd **Michigan Air Tour** > Stinson!

TO BE ANNOUNCED ! **Movie Night:** ***A BRIDGE TOO FAR***

Special guests: Paratrooper re-enactors
inside our C-47 in the Hangar

For reservations or more information about any of our events at Yankee Air Museum call the Museum Store at ***(734) 483-4030 Ext. 202***

YANKEE AIR FORCE
GOLF WAR 2004

Thursday 9 September 2004

Pine View Golf Course
Ypsilanti, Michigan > ***10 AM Tee-Off*** <
(former McEnnon Airfield)

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Fees postmarked by August 1st were entered into **both** bomber ride drawings that will take place as part of this event*!*

We'll have door prizes for everyone, lunch at the turn and YAF GOLF WAR balls provided by *Feigley Buick Oldsmobile*. The event is for anyone who is plane and/or golf crazy! Don't worry about your golf skills*!*

For more info contact: **Dave Steiner (734) 645-1150**
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